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Your letter of October 5th has been received.

While I do wish it were possible for me to furnish the information you are seeking, I am unable to do so since data contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I cannot be of service and trust you will understand.

I am enclosing some material which I hope you will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Is there some way I can find out if Martin Luther King is a registered communist in the communist party.

I have seen articles in magazines and papers that he has affiliations with the communist party and also that he is a registered member of party. Also that he was trained at Communist Training Center.

Recently, religious articles written by him have shown up in my child's catechism in school and I am much alarmed at this -- becuase from what I have read I feel the man is a communist and I don't want my child to believe anything he says. On therother hand, my church says he is a Minister of Religion and a good American. I tend to differ with them.

I thought maybe by writing to your office in Washington I could get the true facts if they are available. Most people say that the Federal office is so full of commies they won't tell me anyway--even that you are a communsts I will not believe this. If any man has tried to make the people see communis: in this country and see how much of this there is, it is yoursadf.

Thanking you for any information you may be able to afford me.



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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)

The November 19, 1960, issue of "The Richmond Times-Dispatch" reported that approximately sixty Negro church, professional and lay leaders throughout Virginia met on November 18, 1960, in Petersburg, Virginia, and organized the Virginia Christian Leadership Conference (VCLC) for the purpose of "bringing about civil rights for all."

It was pointed out that VCLC is an affiliate of the SCLC of Atlanta, Georgia.

The purpose of SCLC was reported to "redeem the soul of America by creating the beloved community through organization, by consent of population, for the purpose of creative protest by education, training, developing leadership based on Christian non-violent principles."

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE 9/29/67

Martin Luther King, Jr. was considering going to the Soviet Union to participate in a conference with other Nobel Prize Winners and representatives of the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam.

The White House, Attorney General, State Department, Central Intelligence Agency, and other pertinent agencies were furnished the above information.

The attached indicates that the participants are not actually Nobel Prize winners, and that in view of this, King will not accept the invitation. This information will be given the same dissemination.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, learned on September 27, 1967, that on that date, Martin Luther King, Jr., held a conference with Harry Wachtel, Stanley Levison and Andrew Young, the Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). King stated that he wanted some last minute advice (about whether he should accept an invitation to participate in a conference with other Nobel Peace Prize winners and representatives of North Vietnam and the National Liberation Front in Moscow) because he had to make a decision that day.

King said that with respect to the Moscow trip, it appears that "they" came up with the idea. He said he believes it was some kind of a joint idea of the Nobel Prize Committee and the Friends Service Committee that some dialogue should be opened between the so-called belligerent parties in Vietnam and Nobel Peace Prize Committee winners. He noted that the question raised by Wachtel, as to whether it would include the United States and others, was brought up and that it appears "they" did get an acceptance from the United States State Department as well as Saigon. He added that it is his understanding that it will be the first meeting in a series.

King wondered why they were not going to Hanoi first and Young stated "they" said they had not been invited to Hanoi but had been invited to meet with officials of Hanoi in-Moscow.

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King asked Young if "they" had been invited to Saigon and also Washington. Young replied that they had been invited to Washington and believed they had been invited to Saigon but it was not an official invitation.

Wachtel counseled that they should make sure whether Ralph Bunche (as a Nobel Peace Prize winner) had excluded himself from going to the Moscow conference and to make sure that all (peace prize winners) have been invited and not only those who share King's views. He also felt that King should call United Nations Ambassador Arthur Goldberg and talk with him before the Moscow trip.

King asked if he should not seek a meeting with Soviet Premier Alexsei Kosygin on Vietnam. Levison felt he should and Wachtel felt King could meet with Kosygin in a private manner and not as part of the committee, unless the committee is invited. He also felt that this committee should travel back to Washington and speak with whomever the State Department designates. He said this meeting should be set up in advance.

King expressed the opinion that there are no plans to see any other governments or representatives of other governments immediately after the Moscow conference. King noted that he is making the Moscow trip with open-mindedness but that his mind is made up on the wrongness of the Administration's policies in Vietnam. He said nothing would change his belief in the wrongness of our course of action, no matter what they might say from Hanoi.

Wachtel, Levison and Young expressed the belief that King, although going with his mind made up, is going to see what can be done under the circumstances and to seek areas of agreement, if there are such areas.

Wachtel and Levison suggested that King attempt to see the Pope in Rome on his return from the Moscow conference. Young felt if King saw the Pope it should be to give him report and ask him to make an appeal to the United States.



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Young stated that he would contact a Duncan Wood in Geneva and give him the results of this conference and in particular that they attempt to have a meeting set up with the United States and Saigon in the same context soon thereafter.

Wachtel said that when Young spoke to Wood in Geneva, Young should be sure that King is free to say that every Nobel Peace Prize winner has been invited.

Young inquired about the call to Ambassador Goldberg and King said this should be after the Geneva call. Wachtel agreed, stating that it should be made by King personally in the spirit of wanting to carry on the fight for peace.

The source subsequently advised that Andrew Young contacted Stanley Levison and advised him "We got troubles. This committee is not the Nobel Prize Committee". Young said that it is a committee of private citizens with the Chairman being a former chairman of a Nobel Prize Committee, that it is composed of private Norwegian citizens and Quakers. Young noted that only Father Piri, a former Nobel Prize winner, Duncan Wood and "these two Norwegians", would be going with King to Moscow.

Young continued that two Nobel Peace Prize winners turned down the invitation because of age and two because of political delicacy. He said Linus Pauling agreed not to go because he did not want to overload the group with Americans

Levison stated that in view of this information, he felt differently about King going.

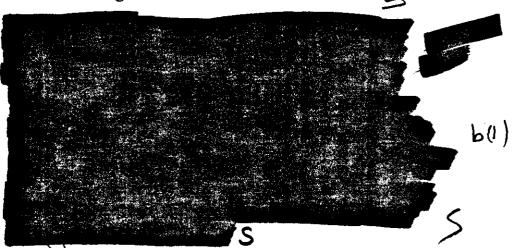
Levison and Young felt it would be better that King go to Moscow on his own at some later time. Levison noted that with the current group being composed of private citizens there would be differences within the group. He agreed with Young that, on his own, King could do as much as the private group.

Young wondered what he could write to Duncan Wood turning it (the invitation) down. Levison advised calling Wood but not until Young checked with King. Young suggested that they say the (SCLC) Board had reluctantly agreed to King going

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because it was a Nobel Prize Committee but that this turned out to be incorrect, that they felt the risks of King going were great but that he would have been willing to take them because of an obligation to run these risks for the Nobel Prize Committee. Levison agreed to this.



Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York.



A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.



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With respect to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), of which Martin Luther King, Jr. is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

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- "1. Cited as a Communist front.
 (Special Committee on Un-American
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- "2. Cited as applommunist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'

 (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally related September 17, 1950.)
- "3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself.

 Among these organizations are the * * * National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.' (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"



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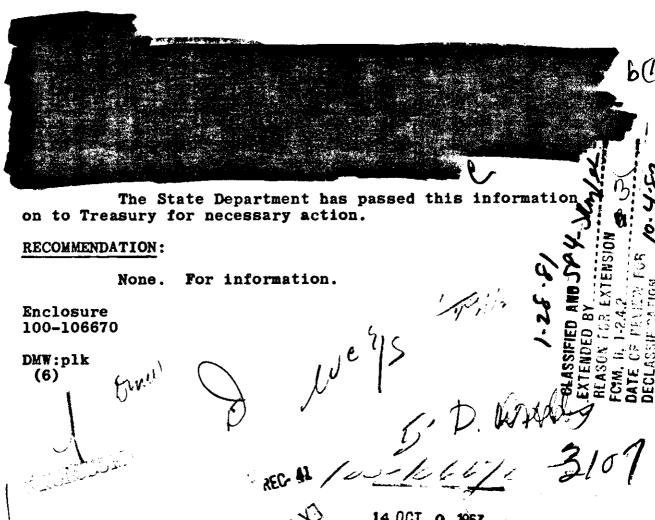
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION San Francisco, California September 27, 1967

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The September 22, 1967, editions of the "San Francisco Examiner" and "San Francisco Chronicle," both daily newspapers published in San Francisco, California, carried articles concerning KING's appearance in San Francisco as follows:

On the evening of September 21, 1967, Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at a press conference at Longshoremen's Hall, San Francisco, advised the press he was in the San Francisco area to plan a fund raising benefit for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) which will be a performance by HARRY BELAFONTE and JOAN BAEZ at the Oakland, California, Coliseum, October 18, 1967.

Dr. KING said, while in the San Francisco Bay area he would also meet with Negro leaders to plan an "operation bread-basket" campaign for the San Francisco area. Such a campaign, according to Dr. KING, will be conducted by SCLC in 30 cities to get jobs for Negroes. Dr. KING said if local industry will not cooperate in the campaign, a selective buying drive will be utilized.

In response to questions by the press, Dr. KING stated that the marriage of Secretary of State DEAN RUSK's daughter to a Negro was "news to me," but he said he maintains that people marry, not races.

Also in response to questions by the press, Dr. KING said he could never take a position of anti-semitism or black separatism.

Dr. KING announced that co-chairmen for the San Francisco fund raising concert are MORTIMER FLEISHHACKER and the Reverend J. L. RICHARDS.

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reported they knew of no additional activity by Dr. KING and that there were no disturbances whatsoever as a result of his appearance in the area.

King Calls Wedding 'Mighty Fine Thing'

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.. said here that the marriage of Dean Rusk's daughter and a young Negro Army reservist was "a mighty fine thing.

The Negro civil rights leader said he was "not totally surprised" to learn of the marriage yesterday of the Secretary of State's daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, 18, and Guy Gibson Smith, 22.

"In a democracy such as ours anyone of any race should be able to marry another person of a different race," he said.

King was here yesterday to announce a seven-city concert tour by singers Harry Belafonte and Joan Baez to raise funds for his Southern Christian Leadership Conference. The Bay Area concert will be Oct. 18 at the Oakland Coliseum.

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- In reply to other questions, King made these observations:
- "The role of the press is to cover news. Demonstrations are newsworthy. I think that righteous news should be covered sympathetically."
- "I feel that mine (rather than Stokely Carmichael's) is the right approach. I'm not



MARTIN LUTHER KING Rusk wedding "fine thing -Examiner Photo

aggrandizement."

ment is the conscience of America. As long as justice is postponed, it hurts our whole nation.

• "I am strongly opposed to the war in Vietnam. Yes, I think there should be nationwide balloting on this critical issue."

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 "Under no conditions" would I be a candidate for the Presidency. I would prefer to be the conscience of all political parties."

King said he thinks President Johnson could "beat a Reagan or Nixon, but would have difficulty beating Rockefeller or Romney.'

On the recent Chicago meeting where he keynoted the National Conference for New Politics, King criticized black power advocates who would exclude other races from their deliberations and

"I could never go along with anti-Semitism -- or separatism," he declared.

King's local co-chairmen self- for the fund raising concerts are Mortimer Fleishhacker "The civil rights move- and the Rev. J L.. Richards.

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Negro Vote

Rockefeller Could Win, King Says

By Steve Pelletiere

Dr. Martin Luther King said here last night that New York's Governor Nelson Rockefeller could take the Negro vote from the Democratic party.

The civil rights leader said at press conference that Governor Rockefeller could beat President Johnson. Under prodding by reporters, he conceded Illinois' Senator Charles Percy the same opportunity.

But Dr. King hedged about Michigan Governor George Romney's chances. "Johnson would have a difficult time beating Romney," he said.

Then, after dismissing California's Governor Ronald Reagan and Richard Nixo as offering Johnson no contest, Dr., King returned to Rockefeller.

Rockefeller could get "a the Democratic party."

DISARRAY

Dr. King was in the Bay Area to plan a fund raising benefit which entertainer Harry Belafonte will stage here October 15. The benefit is for Dr. King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

At the Longshoremen's Hall press conference, Dr. King was asked to assess the recent Committee for New Politics convention in Chicago. Moderates at the conven-Peace ticket, presumably drive, he said.

with Dr. King and Benjamin Spock.

Said Dr. King: "Unhappy develompents took place at that convention. It had the seeds of doing something positive. However, it did not grow as I wanted to see it."

Specifically, Dr. King said that the Black caucus - "a disruptive force" - left the convention in disarray.

The caucus "went too far", Dr. King said. "Beyond any position I could take. I couldn't back an antisemeitic resolution, or one calling for Black separatism."

The convention voted a resolution condemning Israel in the Middle East war.

MARRIAGE

A question about the marriage of Secretary of State Dean Rusk's daughter to a number of votes in the Negro | Negro caught Dr. King off community," he said. "He guard. "It's news to me," he could split the Negro vote for said. "But Ive always said individuals marry, not races.'

> 'while in the Bay Area King said he would meet with Negro leaders to plan an "Operation Breadbasket" campaign here. The campaign will be conducted by or. King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference in 30 American cities.

Purpose of "Operation Breadbasket" is to get jobs for Negroes. Dr. King said he hopes local industry, will cooperate. But, if it did not, tion were defeated in an at- the conference was ready to tempt to launch a National mount a selective buying

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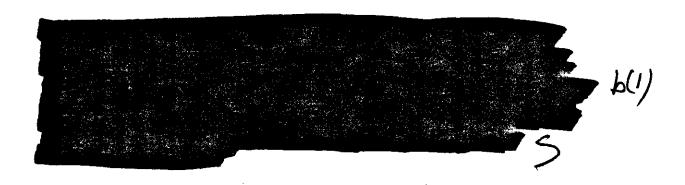
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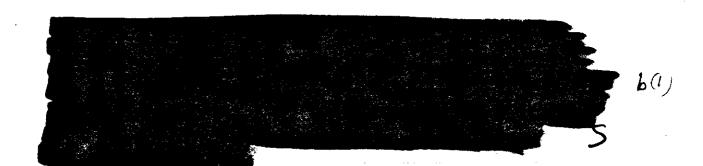
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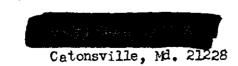
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

I would appreciate any information that you may have to the effect that Martin Luther King is a communist.

Secondly, of if not, is there a record of his having communistic affiliations, would appreciate your sending same to me.

Many thanks for this information.

Yours truly,

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No indication has been learned of any proposed demonstrations at captioned location. In view of this, this matter is being considered closed. However, the activities of the SCLC are continuing to be followed closely and the Bureau will be kept advised of any pertinent information.



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OPEN OCCUPANCY CONTROVERSY, SITE OF ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION (AEC) ATOMIC ACCELERATOR, WESTON, ILLINOIS RACIAL MATTER

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated June 30, 1967, captioned as above.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 23, 1967, that Dr. Martin Luther King, President of SCLC, had earlier in the day, June 23, 1967, visited the site of the tent-in demonstration being staged at Warrenville, Illinois, protesting the proposed construction of the new Atomic Accelerator at Weston, Illinois, despite the failure of the Illinois legislature to pass a state-wide open occupancy law. He stated that the SCLC organization was not actively involved in supporting such demonstration and that Dr. King visited the tent-in site reluctantly. SCLC felt that Al Raby, Convenor of the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations had involved SCLC in this demonstration through statements Raby made in the press without first consulting the SCLC staff in the Chicago area. Due to such activity, by Raby, a certain amount of friction has developed between the SCLC staff and Coordinating Council of Community Organizations. Dr. King's visit to the tent-in site was intended to prevent any further cleavage between the groups.

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On August 30, 1967, advised that no new developments have taken place regarding the captioned matter. He further stated that there is no indication that there will be any further demonstrations at this site.

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On September 18, 1967, above mentioned source advised that to the best of his knowledge, CFM has no plans for future demonstrations at Weston, Illinois, at present time.

The above information is being furnished the following agencies:

United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois.

United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois.

Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

Memorandum

TO

The Director

FROM

N P Callahan

SUBJECT:

The Congressional Record

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Pages A4724-A4725. Congressman McMillan, (D) South Carolina, placed in the Record a copy of a letter addressed to President Johnson from Major Hughes AKRobinson, U. S. Army, retired, regarding the crime situation. Major Robinson makes reference to activities of Martin Luther King and cited the support King receives from Northern radio and television commentators and newspapers. Robinson stated 'It is further to be observed that the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover is given the responsibility for matters involving the internal security of the nation. In this connection, approximately 95% of commentators for radio and television companies from the North sided against J. Edgar Hoover and in favor of Martin Luther King, Ir., when there were statements made with regard to Martin Luther King, Jr., being a 'notorious liar', and many went so far, including Walter/Cronkite, as to <u>wy</u> ridicule the distinguished Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and referred to the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, over national television, as being senile and made concerted efforts to force the resignation of the Chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This is evidence of a conspiracy between radio-television and Martin Luther King, Jr., to destroy the United States with the use of hoodlums and mob leaders."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for SEPT. 31, 1967 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that Styling are pay of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate sureauties or subject matter files.

ALL INFORMATION CONTENTED September 21, 1967 HEREIN SUNCIASSIFIED 100-106670 Honorable Edwin D. Eshleman House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515 My dear Congressman: In response to your letter of September 18th, I am not at liberty to make our records available to you for review since information contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. Information obtained by the FBI concerning Martin Luther King has been reported to the Attorney General, and you may wish to contact him for any assistance he may be able to render. MAILED 5 Sincerely yours, SEP 2 1 1967 6. Edgar Hooves COMM-FBI NOTE: Bufiles disclose our relations with Congressman Eshleman have been limited in that we have received only one prior inquiry from him since his election to the House of Representatives. Martin Luther King is well known to the Bureau as the subject of a Security Matter-C investigation. King is on the Reserve Index B of the Atlanta Office. たり代告 d 15: Tele, Room MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

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EDWIN D. ESHLEMAN 16TH DISTRICT, PENNSYLVANIA

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COMMITTEE EDUCATION AND LABOR Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, B.C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Washington, D. C.

Director

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover

Federal Bureau of Investigation

As a freshman Congressman, I am requesting an opportunity to see the Bureau's files on Martin Luther King. I am willing to come to the Bureau to see them since I realize they cannot be taken out.

Assuming that your response to the above request will be negative, it would be very much appreciated if in your reply you will enumerate the reasoning for this refusal in detail insofar as why an elected Congressman is denied access to the files of an administration bureau is concerned.

Please advise.

Sincerely,

Edwin D. Eshleman

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Stanley Levison inquired if King knew anything about the origin or purpose of the proposed Moscow meeting. King explained that the Nobel Prize Committee had set aside #20,000.00 for Nobel Peace Prize winners to go to Hanoi - the original idea - to talk with representatives of the NLF and North Vietnam to see if anything could be done to get negotiation underway. He noted that stories about such a Peace Prize delegation had appeared in the press and that he had received

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inquiries from the papers in Atlanta, Georgia, and the wire services as to whether he was going.

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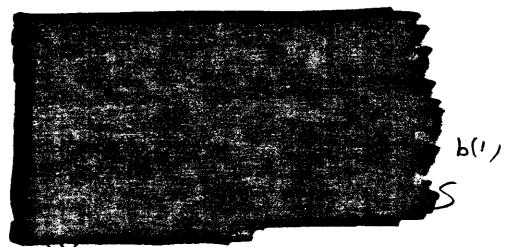
Young indicated that Bunche was not impressed with the idea of the delegation because he could not see what it would accomplish.

Harry Wachtel suggested that it would be important for Young to determine whether it was part of the plan for a committee to come to Washington, D.C., to confer with the United States Government lest the charge be made that the committee lacked validity and was narrow and one-sided. He also warned that a picture of King in Red Square, moscow, might be mishandled in the press. Wachtel suggested that Young, in contacting the person in Geneva, should recommend that the scope of the delegation be broadened so there could be an expression of different views in which case individuals like Falph Bunche might be ordered to attend.

King stated that he would postpone a decision until Young contacted the individual in Geneva.

King, in discussing whether he should accept the invitation, stated he could not go until after October 3, 1967, He noted he would be busy during the next week as he had scheduled meetings with the Committee of 100 in such cities as San Francisco, Cleveland, Chicago and Philadelphia.

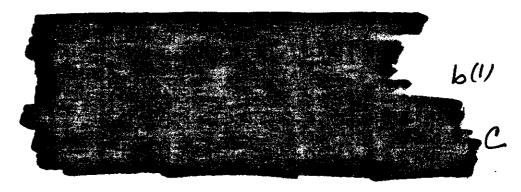




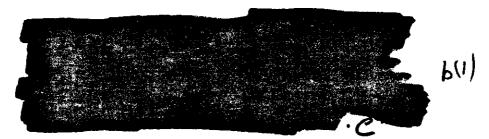
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Levison stated that "they" are pleased that King is interested in going, that to change the date would involve some working in Moscow, but that "they're going to set about doing it". Levison continued that the invitation was to come to Moscow, not to Hanoi. He said Moscow is the main force that Is going to convince Hanoi because it is a contest between China and Moscow with China pushing the war and Moscow trying to settle it.

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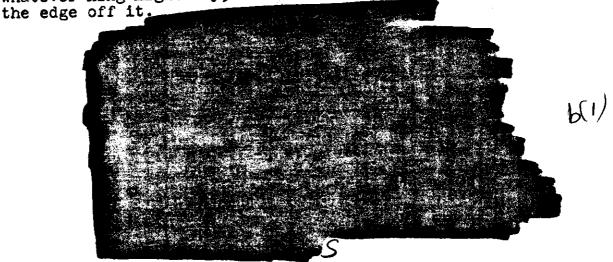
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Wachtel noted that the real danger, as he previously mentioned, was the possibility of being one-sided if the committee visited only Moscow to get that side and did not plan to ask for a meeting in Washington thereafter.

Wachtel also commented that it would "kill" President Johnson if King should play a constructive role in the proposed peace conference in Moscow. Wachtel added that if the President thinks there is some possibility arising from the Moscow meeting, Ralph Bunche would be sent to it so that whatever King might say, Bunche would be in a position to take



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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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Our children are in a catholic school. This year a new series of religious texts have been put into userin one of these text (third grade) a lesson is taught using statements which say Martin Luther King is a brave and great Christian leader. I have read conflicting opinions concerning this. Some say he has Communist connections in this country. Does your office confirm or deny this?.

I put the greatest of confidence in your opinions and admire the work you have done for your country through the years you have been in your present position.

I would not want a false leader held up to my children for admiration.

l would be most grateful for any information you are able to give.

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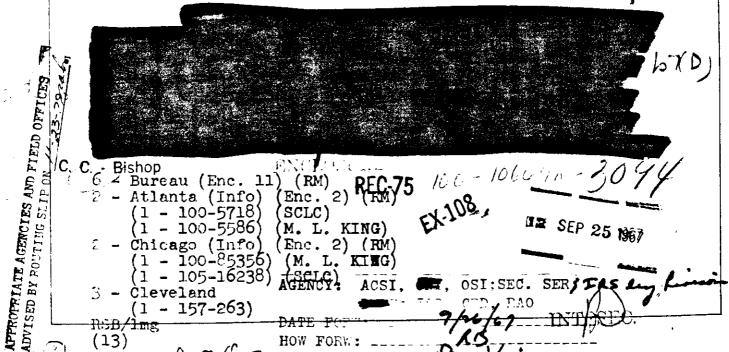
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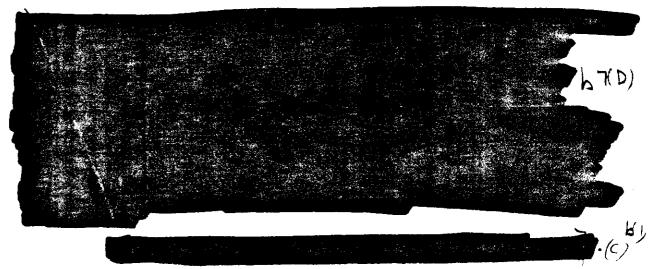
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Cleveland, Ohio September 22, 1967



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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

who has furnished reliable information in the past advised he had learned that considerable friction has developed within the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) project in Cleveland, Ohio. Further, the conduct of some of the SCLC staff members here is not acceptable to responsible ministers within the United Pastors Association (UPA). He noted that the UPA was organized by the Negro ministers in Cleveland and invited Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. and the SCLC to Cleveland for joint SCLC-UPA projects. The ogreement called for the UPA to provide most, if not all, the funds for the project.

The source stated that the SCLC-UPA program to date has been in connection with a voter registration drive in the Negro community and an Operations Breadbasket program which involves efforts to obtain more and better jobs for Negroes. There have also been some efforts to organize tenants in the Uselum areas for rent strikes.

The source advised that the SCLC-UPA project got underway around the middle of June, 1967, and Dr. KING has been coming to Cleveland once or twice a month for a day or two at a time. Dr. KING's visits generally consist of conferences with his SCLC staff, a press conference, and an occasional speech at a public meeting or a tour of the Negro community.

The source stated there have been no demonstrations or marches in connection with the SCLC-UPA project and there has been no indication that any are being considered.

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The source reported that the SCLC opened an office in Cleveland at 11006 St. Clair Avenue. There is a paid staff of seven full time employees. The Project Director is the Reverend A. T. SAMPSON, and he is assisted by Reverend JAMES ORANGE, Reverend E. RANDEL T. OSBURN, Reverend WILLIAM TABB and MICHAEL BIBLER. All except BIBLER are Negroes. There are also two full-time female office workers and a number of volunteer workers.





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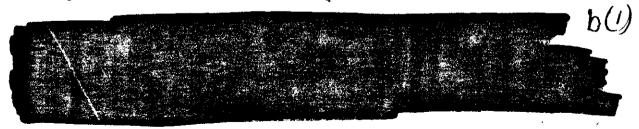
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The source stated that the SCLC-UPA project has not had nearly as much impact on the community as the leaders originally expected. He stated that the project had a successful boycott against Sealtest Foods, which resulted in Sealtest signing an agreement with Dr. KING on August 9, 1967, for 50 additional Negro employees and greater use of Negro institutions, such as banks, suppliers, sales and service companies.

The source stated that on August 30, 1967, Dr. KING was in Cleveland to announce that the tenants of two apartments in the Negro community were beginning a rent strike because of poor maintenance service by the landlord. The source stated that this rent strike has received no further attention from the news media and the Negro community.

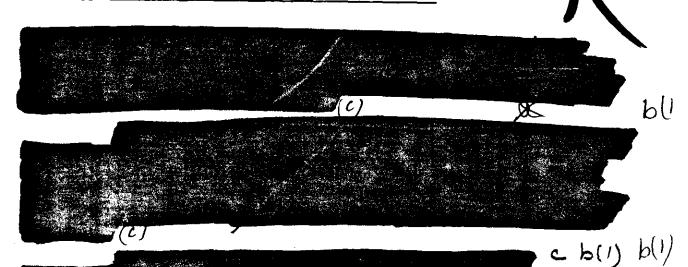
The source advised that the SCLC-UPA workers put in considerable effort on the recent voter registration drive. This was in cooperation with similar registration drives by CORE and other civil rights groups. The source noted that voter registration was a particularly big issue in Cleveland because of the candidacy of CARL STOKES, a Negro, in the Democratic mayoralty primary. He noted that STOKES missed being elected Mayor of Cleveland by a narrow margin two years ago and is being given an excellent chance of winning the election this year.





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that Dr. KING's next scheduled visit to Cleveland is September 24, 1967, where he will deliver a sermon at one of the local churches and meet with his staff.

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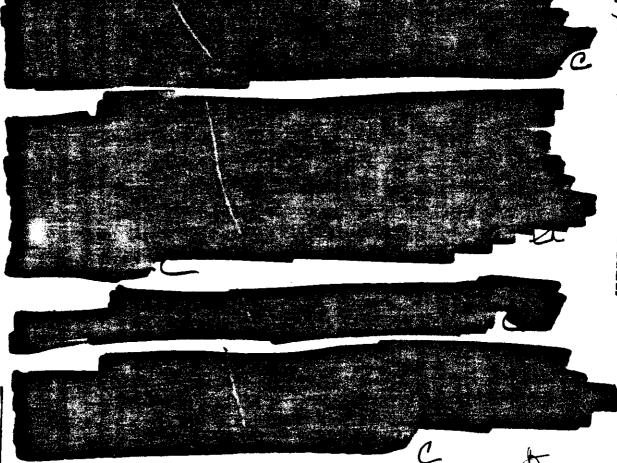
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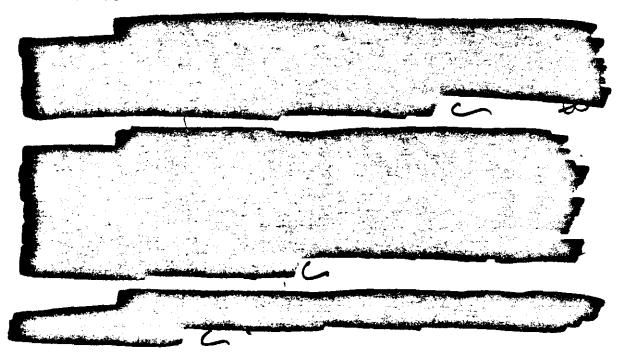
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In attendance at this retreat in addition to the entire SCLC staff were the following: Stanley Levison, principal advisor to King and long-time secret Communist Party member; Harry Wachtel, an advisor to King with a subversive background; Randolph T. Blackwell and Lawrence D Reddick, both former Communist Party members; and nationally known folk singer Joan Baez.

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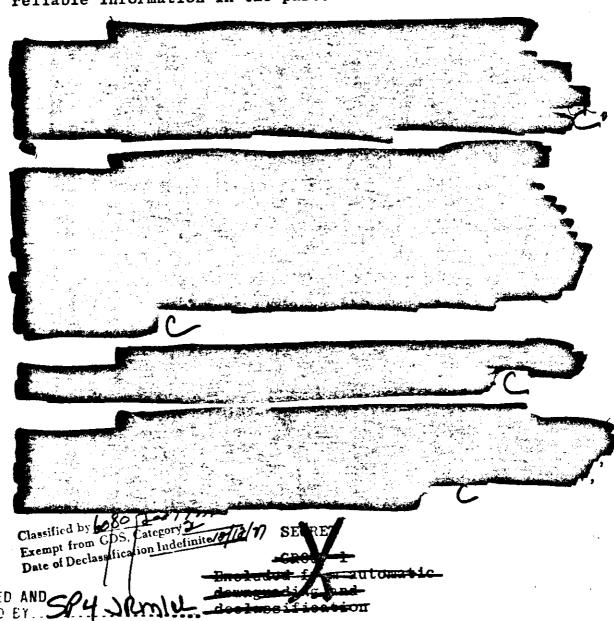
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On September 13, 1967, a confidential source advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), accompanied by eleven (11) individuals, arrived at Airlie House, Warrenton, Virginia, in the late afternoon of September 12, 1967. Prior reservations had been made for fifty (50) persons for the period September 12, 1967, to September 17, 1967, by Gloria Fraction, who identified herself as Conference Director, SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia.

Stanley Levison is among the names of those registered on September 12, 1967.

Source expects to be able to furnish the identity of all registrants at a later. date.

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Richmond letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

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Director J. Edgar Hoover Office of the Director FBI Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Honorable Hoover,

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While reading the following publications I came upon the enclosed:

Congressional Record: A3068 - In Defense of J. Edgar Hoover - 16 June 1967.

Stars & Stripes - 28 July 67: 50 Years of J. Edgar Hoover.

I am one American, who look up to you, as our best friend, in our fight against Communism. We Americans, owe you plenty, because - you have done so much, for so little - for God, America & the people.

With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely,



P.S. Once I read about a book, Negroes With Guns, that I often wonder, does it ties in with the - riots.

Middle King wrote the Foreword for this Castro-Propaganda. The contents in general is:

Among Castro propaganda books now circulated to Americans negroes is one called -- Negroes With Guns. Its appears over the name that Civil Rights Group attack Southern whites with lye bomb, chemical and guns.

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The editor and publishers of the book were reportedly supporters of the -- Fair Play For Cuba Committee, the group in which -- Lee Oswald was active. One of the forewords of this book was -- Nonpeaceful Nobel Prize winner -- Martin Luther King.

I often wonder when will some of the Civil Riots leaders, be put in jail. To me -- some have gone too far, for the comfort of America.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

9/11/67

Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, has scheduled a retreat at Airlie House, Warrenton, Virginia, September 12 through 17, 1967, to plan massive civil disobedience in major states throughout the U.S. This retreat was widely publicized in the recent national convention of the SCLC.

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Results of above retreat will be furnished White House and Attorney General.

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TO

MR. TOLSON

8/25/67

J. P. MOHR

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED SUBJECT "FBI'S REPORT ON KING READY"

by Robert S. Allen and Paul Scott

The above-captioned syndicated column appeared in the Northern Virginia Sun, Arlington, Virginia, on August 24, 1967, is datelined Washington, D. C. and states that "powerful leaders in Congress are rolling up their big guns for their coming confrontation with Dr. Martin Luther King." It then states, "Their Big Bertha - the contents of the FBI's file on King - has been examined and readied for firing by a House Appropriations subcommittee headed by Representative John J. Rooney, D - N. Y., a strong civil rights advocate."

Congressman Rooney called me late this afternoon and asked me if I had read this particular column and I told him that I had. He said he is receiving copies from all over the country and he just wanted the Director to A know that he had no intention of holding any hearings on Martin Luther King and specifically concerning the Director's testimony before his Subcommittee.

I reassured him that the Director was well aware of the fact that he did not intend such a hearing and if the Director felt that way I would have been knocking on his door earlier today. He laughed and said he just wanted the Director to know that he had no such intentions. He did state, however, that the column was bad for him politically in his district where he has so many Negro voters. I told him it seemed to me that Allen and Scott had just dragged his name into the column knowing full well that the Director did testify before his Subcommittee every year. I asked him if he was worried about the column and its possible effect upon him in his district and he told me that he was not particularly worried and laughed stating he hoped not

I have checked with Mr. Bishop and he assured me that we did not furnish any information concerning Congressman Rooney to Allen or Scott and obviously it was something they had hatched up themselves. 18 SEP 13 1967

The foregoing is submitted for your information.

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IFBI's Report On King Ready

By ROBERT S. ALLEN and PAUL SCOTT



e ag experted in this column 1.3. August 4. cleven days helore king revealed his new g rategy in his headline - making article on Congress in Atlanta, the Nobel Prize winner is planning to lead massive demonstrations and "alt ins" here this fall.

The at acts against Congress are part of King's over - all emmistra of exhibits a political "third force" by 1968 composed of militant e'vit rights, peace, atudent, and labor groups.

Significantly, the Rev. James Bevel, another King lieutenant organizing his civil disobedience campaign for Washington, is gleachbod in the FRI file as King's link with the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). The officials of this militant group are now uring Negroes in fallow the path of violent revolution in the U.S. U.S.

King, who preactes may vinlence, continues to confer with these SNCC officials whenever Bevel acts up the meetings, acyording to the FBI files. It also quotes King as telling a group of left, wing students, "We don't need to falk mean, we need to act mean."

Aides of Senator John McClellen D. Ark., whose Permanent In ve at igating. Subcommittee plans a full - acale probe of recent race riotal recorts that he inquiry will go into King's activities. Several ex. FBI agents, familiar with the background of King and also of the officials of SNNC, will be employed by the committee.

Wh there and other bombahells fised to ignite, second; sional leaders are privately systicism the "Second Coming" of King, as his Washington disobcdience campaign is being called, could be a nasty, violent

The legislators also believe the firstoric could explode a lot of moths about King.

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These legislators are taking the position that King's public ricciaration of war on Congress leaves members in other course than to throw the superits of the militant civil right, leader's life known only to a few high officials and a handful of FBI agents.

The subcommittee members have told the House leaders, who are King's main targets, at hat the FBI has unimpreachable evidence including photographs showing that King is now listening to a man who is clearly more interested in destroying the U.S. than in the plight of either the Nagro or the warwary people of Vietnam,

According to these legislators. Ithe FBI has carefully documented that this adviser of King has been one of the Communis Party's biggest money ridsers in this country.

The confidential FBI file, they report, cites instances of material this adviser has prepared for King's victous a tacks on Congress and the U. S. in general. The adviser is credited with drafting King's statements describing Congress as "wild with racism" and describing the U. S. asathe "greatest purceys of violence in the word today."

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION KEEP ENVELOPE ATTACLED

The attached anonymous postcard, sent to the Director, contains the following message:

"Sept. 7 - 67

When are you going to expose Martin Luther King? If you don't, it will be the FBI that is hurt. In fact people are beginning to believe the FBI stinks--

A citizen "

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Memorandum- Mr. DeLoach - Mr. Bishop - Mr. Sullivan DATE: 9/12/67 fr. Sullivan - Mr. C.D. Brennan - Mr. D.M. Wells C. D. Brennan 🗘 FROM SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST PURPOSE: To furnish background data regarding the Airlie House, Warrenton, Virginia. BACKGROUND: Airlie House is owned by the Airlie Foundation, a privately endowed estate which set up this establishment for the benefit of nonprofit groups. This estate is used by groups to hold conferences, meetings, and retreats of their executive personnel. In the past, such groups as university presidents and law enforcement groups have held conferences there. RECOMMENDATION: For information None. 100-106670 1 - 100-438794 (Southern Christian Leadership Conference DMT: des ow 53 SEP 2 1 1967

MAY 1932 INSIGH BSA GEN - REG. HO. 27 1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Bishop 1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan DATE: 9/5/37 1 - Mr. C.D. Brennan 1 - Mr. B.A. Wells l - Mr. McGuire IML CONFERENCE FOR NEW POLITICS TION CONCERN (INTERNAL SECURITY) HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 1-28.81 BYSP4 JAMIL SYMMERIE: The National Conference for New Politics (NCMP) Convention held in Chicago, Illinois, 8/31/67 through 9/4/67, sought to produce a coalition of the black power movement, antiver movement, and campus left movement which could effect a third political force in the United States possibly endorsing Dr. Moutin Luther Ming. Jr., and Dr. Benjamin Spock as a 1930 Presidential ticket. The Communist Party (CP) and other subversive organizations exhibited considerable interest in the Convention and had representatives on the scene. Novable among subversive representation were Arnold Johnson and Gil Green, CP netional functionaries. Black power advocates split the Convention into three groups, and subsequently grabbed equal voting power with white progressive majority. In the main, the NOIP Convention was bogged down in confusion; a third party and a 1938 Presidential ticket did not emerge therefrom; and the black militant minority iplayed the most vociferous role. All information to date relative to the Convention has been disseminated to the White House and other interested agencies. You will be keptinformed of resulting developments. DETAILS CONTINUED

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The highlights of the Convention are as follows:

On S/S1/67, against the backdrop of pre-Convention activity suggesting black power advocates would grab control or disrupt the Convention, Dr. Martin Luther Hing, Jr., Celivered the keynote address to approximately 5,000 people. He stressed the establishment of a political force based on black-white unity.

On 9/1/67 the Convention refused equal representation for the Negro on the NCNP Steering Committee. This Committee, under the leadership of Arnold Johnson, was not meeting with success, and confusion reigned. Floyd McMissick, National Director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), addressed the Convention and then met with the "black caucus" group which issued a resolution condenning the United States for following a program of genocide against the Nogro. The Convention was urged to accept the resolution or the Negro delegates would walk out. A separate "black convention" convened in Chicago to draw Negro representation from the NCNP Convention. A representative of the Soviet news agency, Tass, was on the NCNP scene.

on 9/2/67 the NCNP Convention by acclamation voted to send a telegram to the President of North Vietnam in honor of the 22nd anniversary of Vietnamese independence. The "black caucus" resolution of 9/1/67 was accepted by the Convention in order to prevent Negro defections from the NCNP. The "black caucus" group then shifted position stating although the resolution was accepted, the NCNP does not reflect the mood of the black people, and that there is a need for a separate black movement encompassing several levels of participation, including violence. A CP national functionary remarked some of the Negro leaders had financial backing of Red China. The Convention at this point was described as confused and in a semipatic state.

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Memo to Mr. Sullivan MD: IMPIONAL CONFERENCE FOR NEW POLITICS 62-116865

By \$/\$/\$7 the NGNP Convention had split into three groups: the main Convention, the "black caucus" group within the Convention, and the separate "black convention" also in session in Chicago. Ming's followers remained within the NGNP Convention; however, Many has lost power to McKissich and others from CCND. James Forman, former Chairman, Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (\$NGC); a militant civil rights organization, stated the NCNP white liberals are in no position to dictate to the black liberationists. He said, "This is a dictatorship, and I am the dictator."

The 9/4/67 session clearly established the black representation achieved equal voting power with the NCMP white majority. The anti-Israel policy of the black power advocates was tacked to the NOMP, and anti-Vietnam war, antidruft, as well as anti-President Johnson resolutions were accepted. A third party and a 1988 Presidential ticket did not emerge from the Convention. The CP, seeking success wherever it can be found, was clated over its contribution to the Convention. A SC-man Encoutive Board composed of members advecaving involvement in state elections, as well as those interested in a third purity ticket, was established. * A commission was constructed for the purpose of calling another convention scmetime in 1980 to select a third party ticket. Approval was granted to hold a meeting in Washington, D. C on 10/20/07 for the purpose of establishing a news service disposing Vietnam news from the NONP viewpoint. The entire Convention can be summed up in the words of a Michigan dulagana who said the white progressives at the Convention word a "little tail on the end of a very powerful black mannaen."

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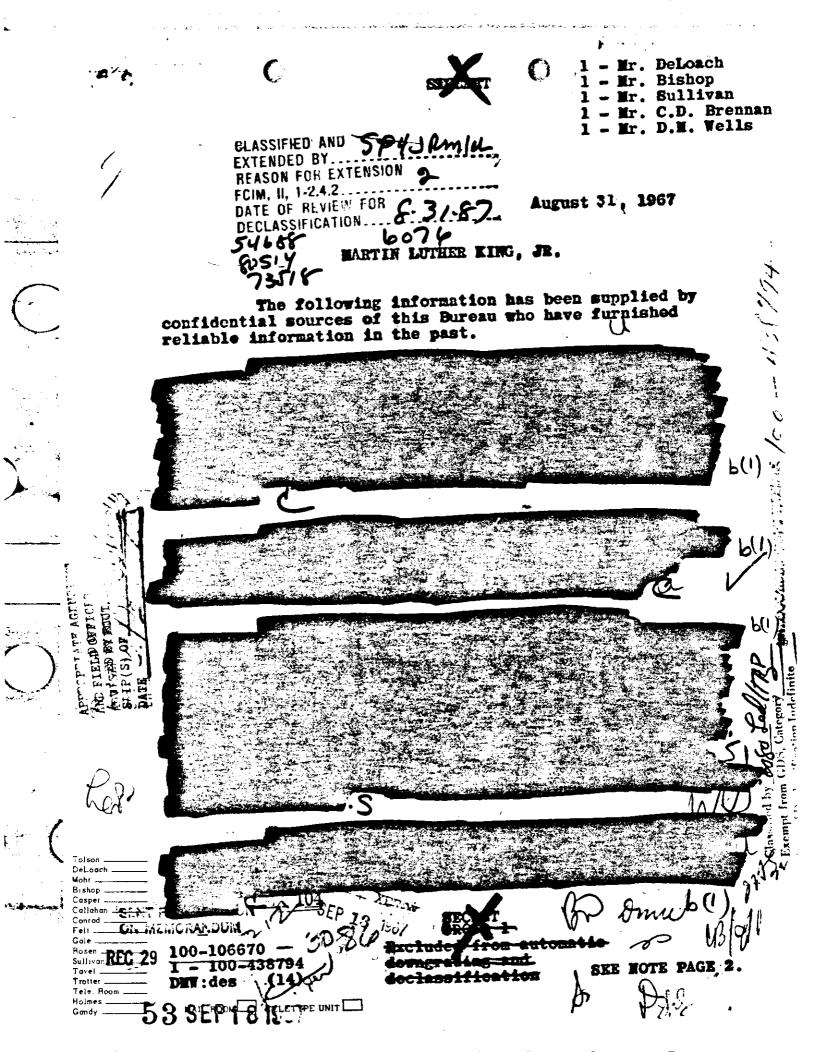
The HOUR Convention concluded without major insident; however, the NORP is not dead. The CP clearly overemphasized its role in the NORP Convention, finding the Party overshadowed by black militants. Although small in number, the vociferous approach of black militants wiclaing a policy of force and fear has opened the eyes of some white progressives Who

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RE: MADYONAL CONFIRENCE FOR NEW PULLTICS
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may withdraw support from Negro causes. The power grab engineered by the black militants at the Convention thunrued the Cuergence of a solid front, a new political force, and a third party 1930 Prosidential ticket. The CP, thriving on confusion, can be a fed to remain abreast of this political meso. Cur excell allocated coverage will forceast future developments regarding the NCNP.

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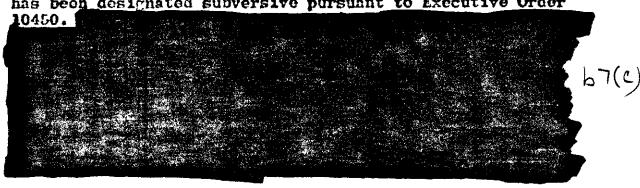


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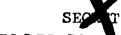
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See memorandum C.D. Brennan to Mr. Sullivan, dated 8/30/67, captioned same, prepared by DMW:scr.



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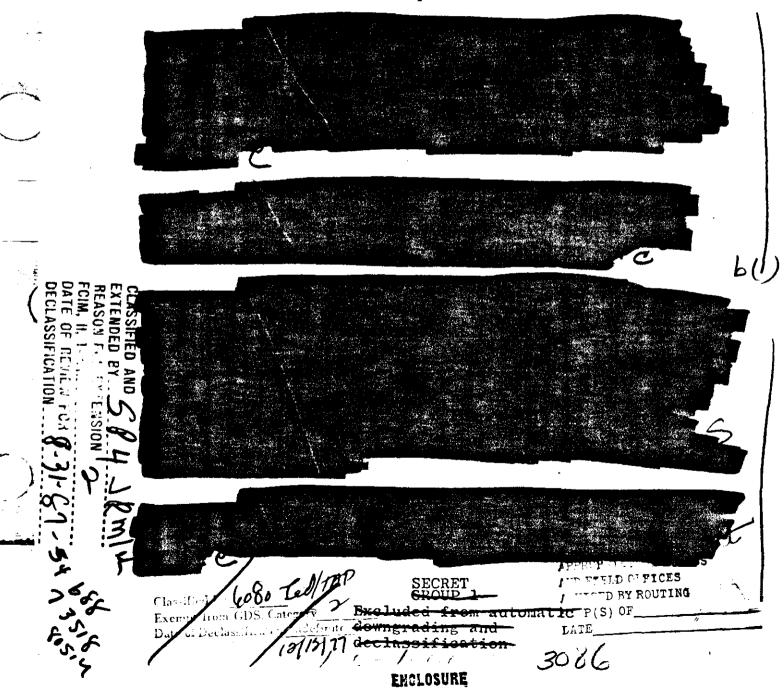
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SUBJECT:

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Re Chicago teletype dated 8/29/67, under the KING

caption and that of National Conference for New Politics. IS - C.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 13 copies of a LHM concerning KING and his activities as known in Chicago over the period 8/27-29/67.

Copies are being designated as indicated below for Atlanta, Cleveland, and New York for information purposes.

Chicago is following and the Bureau and any interested Offices will be advised of any subsequent developments.

The character of the enclosed LHM is being carried as Racial Matter, rather than SM-G as in previous Chicago communications.concerning KING.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. RACIAL MATTERS

Chicago Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Office that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, 10 had arrived in Chicago over the past weekend. The exact time and nature of his arrival here was not known to however, it was known that on the morning of August 27, 1967, King had delivered a sermon at the Fellowship Baptist Church, 4543 South Princeton Avenue, Chicago.

the morning hours of this date King had held a sidewalk press conference at 3808 West Fillmore Avenue, Chicago, during which he had outlined plans for the rehabilitation of alleged slum dwellings on Chicago's west side, for subsequent resale to low income ghetto residents. Details of this program, together with his remarks concerning the National Conference for New Politics (NCNP) being held in Chicago over the period August 31, 1967, to September 1, 1967, are set forth in the self-explanatory articles attached to this memorandum, these articles appearing in the August 30, 1967, editions of various Chicago newspapers.

advised that

King was to depart Chicago this evening for Cleveland, Ohio, where the SCLC also has a program. King reportedly is to return to Chicago on August 31, 1967, to appear as the keynote speaker for the opening session on that date of the NCNP. There were no incidents which took place in Chicago in connection with the presence of King here over the period August 27 to 29, 1967.

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Copies of this memorandum are being provided locally to Secret Service and the office of the United States Attorney, Chicago; and to Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

King Outlines Plan for W. Side Housing

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. down payments to those who outlined a plan yesterday to cannot raise the cash themturn 11 west side tenements into "poor people's condominiums," and said he hoped the required to release the federal idea will spread thruout the country to give the povertystricken "a stake in the community and the future."

The civil rights leader said the 1.2-million-dollar pilot program, to be financed with federal funds, will provide 156 apartments that welfare recipients and job holders can purchase for less than \$100 a month.

· Foundation to Administer

The Kate Maremont Foundation, a nonprofit charitable organization which has an option to buy the buildings, will rehabilitate them and administrate the program. Members of the Lawndale Union to End Slums, an affiliate of Dr. King's Southern Chrisitan Leadership Conference, will manage the buildings. Two of its members have been in training with foundation for the last six months.

The Tribune described the project last April when it was first discussed by Victor de Grazia, foundation executive vice president, and Meredith Gilbert, Lawndale union coordi-

Subsequently, Dr. King and de Grazia obtained approval of the plan from Robert C. Weaver, secretary of housing and urban development, in Washington.

First of Kind 1

King said the program is the first of its kind in the country.

De Grazia estimated the apartment-homes, which will sell for about \$7,500 each, will be ready for occupancy within six months. He said present tenanth in H he given the first opportunity to buy the comfoundation will lend money for

selves.

Mayor Daley's approval is funds for the program, which will be provided under section 312 of the 1964 housing act. Loans secured under the act provide for 3 per cent maximum interest over 20 years.

Model Is Toured

After the press conference, reporters toured a model apartment in one of the buildings at 3303 Fillmore st., then inspected an existing unit.

Dr. King commented that the building might have been demolished without the new program, displacing 12 femilies.

The other 10 buildings to be rehabilitated are at 1531 and 1841 S. Avers av.; 4 1401 S. Harding av.; 3823 Fulton st.; 1015 S. SPringfield av.; 1022, 1105, and 1119 Independence blvd.; 1132 S. Homan av.; and 3409 Grenshaw st. .

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King, Others Plan Poor Peoples

Condominiums

By Richard T. Cooper

A new program for helping Chicago gnetto dwellers become homeowners by using federal funds to turn slum buildings into "poor people's condominiums" was announced Tuesday by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and other project leaders.

(In a condominium, each resident owns his own apartment and shares equally with other residents ownership of ballways and other common areas.)

The plan calls for rehabiltation of 11 deteriorating buildings containing 156 dwellng units, which will be sold to tenants for payments avertging less than \$100 a month.

The Kate Maremont Founlation will handle acquisition and renovation of the buildings, according to its executive rice president, Victor de Graia. Management of the project is to be supervised by the lawndale Union to End Slums and a body representing the enants, under the plan.

20-Year Mortgages

The estimated \$1,200,000 cost of the conversions will be overed by a federal lean unfer Section 312 of the National Housing Act of 1964, ecording to de Grazia. Tents, possibly including welfare acipients, will be able to pay aff mortgages on their apart-

ients over a 20-year period.

Dr. King and de Grazia said sey had obtained general fedal approval for the project at a recent meeting in Washington with Sec. Robert C. Weaver of the Housing and Urban Development Department.

The Chicago Department of Urban Renewal must approve details of the project, but de Grazia said preliminary talks have been held and "we don't see any toad-blocks." The city department will be the federal government's representative in the program.

Resembles Percy Plan

The plan resembles Sen. Charles H. Percy's program for financing home ownership by the poor through a national housing foundation. The principle difference is that under Percy's system construction would be financed with government-backed bonds sold by a nonprofit, private organization, while the King group will obtain capital directly from the federal government.

In a recent telegram to Meredith Gilbert, project co-ordinator for the Lawndale Urion, Percy praised the plan and said it was just the kind of project his national housing foundation was intended to support, according to de Grazia.

Tuesday also closely resembles a larger plan begun by Dr. King and reported exclusively in The Sun-Times last December. Under that proposal \$4,-000,000 in federal furds were to have been obtained to buy groups of run-down buildings which would be turned over to tenant co-operatives.)

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---- Upkeep Fees

The sponsoring organizations plan to conduct programs of tenant education, and monthly assessments will be made for repairs and maintenance, Dr. King said. A model apartment at 3808 W. Fillmore, was opened to newsmen for comparison with an unrenovated apartment in the same building.

Dr. King declared the project "offers ghetto dwellers new hope, a stake in his community, a share in his future, a chance to move up in society."

Dr. King rejected newsmen's suggestions that tenants might fail to take care of the renovated buildings.

"I believe absolutely in the wisdom of home ownership," he said, predicting that enants would maintain the converted units because ownership will give them "a greater-sense of involvement."

De Grazia said renovation of each apartment will cost about \$7,500, which will be

mortgage payments. The units will not be sold on centract, be said.

Down-Payment Halp

For tenants who cannot make down payments, the Maremont Foundation will put up the necessary funds, Dr. King said, emphasizing that some purchasers probably will be public aid recipients.

For years," de Grazia noted, 'public funds have been subsidizing slumlords, paying their taxes, building up their equities." Under the new plan, coccupant; will have the pride and dignity that goes with owning property and the title to prove it," he said.

The Maremont Foundation 12s an option to buy the 11 West Side buildings from Atas Real Estate Co., according to de Grazia Purchase and renovation will begin as soon as the city gives the green light, he said.

De Grazia noted that the 11 buildings have been the target of rent strikes and demonstrations by the Lawndale Union to End Slums during the past year.

He said some units might be ready within six months.

Dr. King, de Grazia, and Gilbert Meredith, project coordinator for the Lawndale Union stood answering reporters' questions in a vacant area behind the crumbling building at 3808 W. Fillmore while crowds of giggling children hung from porch railings or edged into the half-circle around the speakers, oblivious to the frantic cries of television film crews.

During the press conference, Dr. King turned aside a number of pointed questions about his activities in the anti-war movement and their impact on civil rights progress.

He denied that his political activities would prejudice the condominium project's chances for getting federal funds and expressed hope that it might set an example to be followed elsewhere in Chicago and other cities.

RING DENIES HE PLANS-TO FUN FOR PRESIDENT

Negro Leader to Talk it again."

at Rally Tomorrow

BY JOHN ELMER

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for he Presidency on a thirdpart ticket, and denied the

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Communists.

Dr. Ling will be the keynote meake at a rally temorrow night a the Chicago Coliseum coming the National Conference for New Politics. He has been mentioned as a Prosidential cand date by many delegates to the convention.

Opposes That Philosophy
"I am not aware of any
communist influence or infiltration of the group," he commented. "And as a Baptist
preacher, I am strongly opposed to that allosophy."

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i Hits Black Power

Dr. King at acked statements of black power advocates such as H. Rap Grown that call for Negroes to arm thereselves for further ruts in major cities.

Problems than they solve," he said. "I believe a violent program is self-defeating. What Negroes need is militant non-violent resistance."

The civil rights leader however, did not denounce Carmichael's trips to Havana and Hazoi, noting that he himself planted to "spend my time working with the civil rights movement and gathering opposition to the Viet Nam war."

See the Futility

Dr. King ascribes recial quiet in Chicago this summer to the fact that "Negroes have come to see the futility of such action."

"The Negro community in Chicago went thru the agony of rioting last summer," he said, "and they don't want to go thru it again."

Dr. King said in believed riots are unlikely to occur in the same area more than once. He cited Watts and other scenes of racial disturbances as examples. After periods of disorder, they have remained peaceful.

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Pages H10504-H10525. The House completed general delate on R. R. 2518, a bill to prescribe penalties for certain acts of violence or intimidation. They will continue consideration of this bill today. Congressman Waggonner, (D) Louisiana, spoke in objection to this legislation and cited certain activities of Martia Luther King pointing out that hing is calling for civil disobedience demonstrations on a mass scale in Northern cities. He stated Now, my friends, if you pass this proposed legislation you are going to be giving protection to exact y this sort of thing. Congressman Andrews, (L) Alabama, stated I am sure the gentleman will recall that 3 years ago, in November, if I remember correctly, one of the great Americans of all time, hir. J. Edgar Boover, said that this same man, Dr. Martin Luther King, was most notorious liar in the United States of America. Dr. King immediate y sake would demand a retraction of that statement and an apology from Mr. Hoover has not retracted that statement—and he stands by that statement.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

On August 10, 1967, at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, California, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. addressed a convention of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers, which is composed of Negro members of the real estate profession throughout the country. King spoke to approximately 370 delegates and his speech was later televised over KQED, San Francisco.

Dr. King's speech is as follows:

"To our distinguished Toastmaster and to the distinguished President of the organization, Mr. Williamson, delegates, and members of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers, ladies and gentlemen. I need not pause to say how very delighted I am to be here tonight and have the privilege of sharing with you on this auspicious occasion. I must say I don't feel like a stranger being here with you, for as I look over the audience I see so many friends and so many familiar faces, persons that I have known and that I have met across the last few years. Then it looks like an Atlanta show here tonight; the President is an Atlantan, the Toastmaster is an Atlantan, and I am an Atlantan, so it seems that Atlanta has taken over the platform tonight. do want to congratulate you on 20 years of significant history. Tam here tonight for two basic reasons: The first is as a result of my respect and admiration for your esteemed President, O. B. Williamson. I have heard behind his back and before his face of the magnificant job he has done as President of this organization and I want to commend you for your wisdom in electing him president, I think for five consecutive times now.

"The second reason that I am here tonight is because of the significant challenge that you face as an organization.

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I need not remind you that the housing question is one of the most crucial issues confronting our nation today. In the next 30 years as a result of population expansion in spite of our cities more housing units will be built than our nation has built in all its years since its founding in 1776. means that you have a significant challenge and responsibility. Your motto is indeed a challenging one, democracy in housing. Democracy in housing really means integration in housing; integration in housing means not only integration beyond racial lines, but it also means integration beyond class lines. you can see that you have many things to think about and you have many new challenges, you have many crucial problems on all of your future agendas and all of your future discussions and I certainly want to wish you God's speed as you seek to confront this challenge as you move on in the days ahead. The school problem will not be solved totally until the housing problem is solved. Even the job problem will not be totally solved until the housing problem is solved. this is a key issue. So I want to thank you for inviting me, and I want to thank you for your generous expressions and I am indebted to my good friend, Mr. Shaw, for these very kind gracious words of introduction. As he was introducing me, it reminded me of the old maid who had never been married. One day she went to work and the lady for whom she worked said, 'Ann, I hear that you are going to get married. ' She said, 'No, I'm not going to get married but thank God for the rumor. Well, I know that all these things Mickey said about me can't be true but thank God for the rumor...

"I want to talk with you tonight honestly and truthfully I hope, about the conditions of our nation and the world. You may not agree with everything I say but I'm going to say For I believe that freedom is still the bonus you receive for telling the truth. Jesus said, 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free.' I want to try to tell you who are assembled herethe truth. I want to try to tell the thousands and thousands of people who are now looking and listening over television the truth for America is in dire need at this hour of hearing the truth. I want to use as a subject from which to speak 'Transforming A Neighborhood into A Brotherhood.' The fact is that America has brought the nation and the world to an awe inspiring threshold of the future. Indeed we build machines that think and the instruments that peer into the unfathonable ranges of instellar space. We have built gigantic bridges to span the seas, other gigantic bridges to span the seas and gargantuan buildings to kiss the skys.

our airplanes, we have walked distance and placed time in chains. We've compressed into minutes distances that once took days, weeks, and months. I think Bob Hope has adequately described this new jet age in which we live as I have said so often, that it is an age in which it is possible to take a non-stop flight from Los Angeles, California, to New York City, a distance of about 3,000 miles, and if on taking off in Los Angeles you develop hiccups, you hic in Los Angeles and cup in New York City. You know it is possible because of the time difference to take a flight from Tokyo, Japan, Sunday morning and arrive in Seattle, Washington, on the preceeding Saturday night, and when your friends meet you at the airport and ask when you left Tokyo you will have to say, 'I left tomorrow.' This is what our airplanes have done. our spaceships we have literally carved the highways through the stratosphere. Through our submarines we have penetrated oceanic depths. All of this is a dazzling picture of America's scientific and technological progress. But when we look through the other side, something basic is missing, and it comes to our subject for the evening.

"Through our scientific and technologic genius we've made of this world and of our nation a neighborhood. Through our ethical commitment we have failed to make of it a brotherhood, so we find ourselves suffering from a kind of poverty of the spirit which stands in glaring contrast to our scientific and technological abundance. As we learn to fly the air like birds, we learn to swim the seas like fish. Yet we haven't learned the simple art of walking the earth as brothers and sisters. This is a great tragedy and a great challenge of ours but let me assure you that if we don't learn to live together in this nation as brothers, we are all going to perish together as fools.

"Now there are three things that we must deal with if we are going to transform this neighborhood into a brother-hood. We got to grapple more creatively and more affirmatively and forthrightfully with the evil of racism, the evil of poverty, and the evil of war. These are the three things, these triple evils, that I want to talk with you about because I believe that they are your concerns and they must be a part of the concern of all men of good will in our nation. Let us begin with the evil of racism.

"Let me say to you at the beginning that racial injustice is still the black man's burden and the white man's shame. Let us not fool ourselves. It is still with us in a big way. Certainly we have made strides, we've made progress here and there but it must not cause us to become complacent and apathetic, fail to see the larger profit. The problem is that the plant of freedom has grown only a bud and not yet a flower. The roots of racism are very deep in our country. We hear a lot of talk today about the so-called white backlash. Let me talk honestly about the The only thing or the only way to talk white backlash. honestly about the white backlash is to say to you that the white backlash is nothing new. It is merely a new name for an old phenomenon. There has never been a single solid determined commitment on the part of the vast majority of white Americans on the whole question of genuine equality for the black man.

"On the statue of Liberty we read that America is the mother of exile. It doesn't take us long to realize that America has been the mother of its white exiles from Europe. It has never evinced the same maternal concern it can for its black exiles who were brought to this country in chains from Africa. This is why our forebearers in one song can sing, 'Sometimes I feel like a motherless child.' a great sense of estrangement and rejection that can cause the Negro to use such a metaphor. You see the problem is my friends that our country has constantly made a positive step forward on the question of civil rights, but at the same time it has generally made a backward step. In 1863 the Negro was granted freedom from chattel slavery through the Emancipation Proclamation. He wasn't given any land to make that freedom meaningful. You know that was almost like having a man in jail for 30 or 40 years and pretty soon you discover that he has been falsely charged. He is innocent of the charge he was convicted of. Then coming up to him saying one day, 'We see that you are not guilty,' and so you are now free; at the same time you refuse to give him any bus fare to get to town. You refuse to give him any money to buy any clothes or any money to get on his feet again. Every system of juris prudence would rise up against this. This is exactly what happened to the black man. He was told he was free but he was penniless. He was illiterate, standing around not knowing where to go and what to do. We must never forget

that at that same moment America was giving millions of acres of land away in the West and in the Mid-West which tells us that America was willing to undergird its white peasants from Europe with an economic floor. It refused to undergird black peasants from Africa with an economic floor. So freedom for the Negro was freedom to (unintelligible) freedom to the winds and rains of heaven. It was freedom without bread to eat and without land to cultivate. freedom and famine at the same time and it was a miracle that the Negro has survived. We don't have to stop at 1875; the nation passed the Civil Rights Bill. It refused to enforce it. 1964 the nation passed an even weaker Civil Rights Bill. Even to this day it has refused to enforce it in all of its demensions. In 1954 the Supreme Court declared segregation unconstitutional in the public schools, and here we are 12 years from that decision or 13 years and only about 10% of the students of the South are attending integrated schools, which means that we haven't even made 1% progress a year and if it continues at this pace it'll take another 94 years to integrate the schools of our nation. We don't even have to stop there. Suburban politicans talk eloquently against open housing and in the same breath contend that they are not racists. of this tells us that the white backlash is nothing new. fact is that America has been backlashing on the question of genuine equality for the black man for more than 300 years. So our struggle is difficult and there must be great soul searching. It means that the Negro and those committed whites must join together a massive attack on racial injustice in our country. There is no way to do it without determined firm pressure. It cannot be done through pressureless persuasion. In the not-too-distant yesterday a great leader felt that it could be done this way and I do not come here tonight to engage in negative criticism toward this great leader because I think he was very sincere in what he was saying.

"His name was Booker T. Washington. He felt that the job could be done through pressureless persuasion. He told Negroes to let down their buckets where they were and he soon realized that there wasn't much water in that well. Booker T. Washington misread history, following that, he felt

that if you would leave the south alone those ultimately would come around and so he decided to follow this path. So he said just what the whites wanted to hear. He didn't feel that pressure was necessary. He was honored and heralded everywhere as a responsible leader. I always get a little disturbed when I'm referred to as a responsible leader because I have come to see that all too often that means that you are not a leader who is willing to tell the truth about the situation. (applause) It may mean that you are either more concerned with saying what the white power structure wants to hear, what the white power structure needs to hear. Booker Washington went on only to discover that this kind of pressureless persuasion causes the forces of reaction to dive deeper into bonds of oppression and injustice and I have all of this to say; there is no way to solve this problem but through determined powerful non-violent pressure action program. This is the only way that we will get rid of racial injustice in our country.

"There is that other evil that I would like to refer to that must be removed if we are to transform a neighborhood into a brotherhood. That is the evil of poverty. Like a monstrous octapus, it spreads its nagging prehensile tenticles to hamlets and villages all over the world and all over our nation. For as I stand before you tonight I am reminded of the fact that 2/3 of the peoples of the world go to bed hungry at night. I've seen the pains; I've seen them in Africa, I've seen them in South America, and I remember when I was in India it was a joyous beautiful experience to meet the great leaders of India and talk with them. These are experiences that I will remember as long as the cords of memory shall linger. There were those depressing moments and I often want to avoid being depressed when he sees with his owneyes evidences of millions of people going to bed hungry at night; often want to avoid being depressed when he sees with his own eyes millions of people sleeping on the sidewalks at night, they have no beds to sleep in, they have no houses to go in and how can one avoid being depressed when he discovers that out of India's population of more than 400 million people some 380 million make an annual income of less than \$90 a year. Most of these people have never seen a doctor or dentist.

"These things concern me; they are of concern to all men of good will. But poverty does not only exist in distant lands. It exists right here in our own midst. The Negro happens

to be the poorest of the poor. We find ourselves in a culture of poverty. We find ourselves in a situation masses of Negroes are confronted with -- a major depression. Worse than the depression of the 30's. Look around our cities; they talk about the unemployment rate. Now when you bok at the white unemployment rate it is often relatively low. In my own city of Atlanta we have about the lowest unemployment rate of any city in this country; about 2.4%. But when you turn to the Negro community it's apalling. More than 14% Negroes of Atlanta are unemployed. I've been working in Cleveland this summer, and I think about the fact that it is the highest unemployment rate we've found anywhere in this country. This is where black people live; about 15.8%, 58% young Negro men of Cleveland are either unemployed or making wages lower than the poverty scale. These are facts all over America the Negro is in a depression. It's not only unemployment, the other problem is underemployment. You know most of the poor people in our country are working everyday making wages so low they cannot begin to function in the mainstream of the economic life of our nation. economic problem stands there in glaring dimensions. there is the housing problem which is your basic concern. of the Negro families of our country live in sub-standard housing conditions. We live in slums and we are hemmed into ghettos and in that ghetto we pay more for less. It's the domestic colony that is constantly drained without being replenished. Schools are segregated, overcrowded, inadequate, devoid of quality. So often our sons and daughters by the thousands graduate from high school every year reading at a 6th and 8th grade level, not because they are dumb not because they don't have native intelligence, because the schools are so inadequate, so devoid of quality, so segregated if you will; the best in these minds can never come out. So we find this culture of poverty, a great challenge today is to be concerned about this because the problem is so often we don't mee the poor. We rely on the poor to become invisible in our midst.

"Our nation is so rich, so affluent, we fail to see the poor. So many white people don't see the poor because they are busy getting to the suburbs to the fresh air of the suburbs. They go into the city and work and then they get on that expressway and go on back home. They never see that

poor Negro who is struggling, devoid of hope. There are some Negroes who don't see the poor. There are some Negro members of the middle class who somehow sail the flotam out of the muddy waters and move into the fresh flowing waters of the mainstream. They've forgotten the stench of the backwaters and the ghettos of our nation. Often our black brothers and sisters are bitter, estranged from the Negro middle class. They, like the white society, have nothing to do but for the Negro naves to join hands with the Negro have-nots and armed with compassionate travelers cheques journey into that other country of their brothers hurt their denial and their neglect. We must all be concerned about the least of these.

"Who are the least of these? They are the thousands and millions of people living on the outskirts of hope. are the least of these? They are those persons who come to feel that life is a long and desolate corridor with no exit sign. Who are the least of these? They are brothers and sisters who do not have wall-to-wall carpet but who must live with wall-to-wall rats and roaches. Who are the least of these? They are those who have given up because so many doors have been shut in their faces. They are those men who walk the streets in search for jobs that do not exist. Who are the least of these? They are those men who soon become embarrassed and humiliated because they can't support their families, because they can't feed their children and educate them. Out of humiliation they often desert their families and the long night of illegitimacy comes into being. Who are the least of these? They are brothers and sisters who out of agony, pain, and the harshness of their everyday life tries to escape through dope, and alcoholism, and through prostitution. As I walk through the ghettos and look at my brothers who may be dope addicts and who may be alcoholics because of this system, I stand there, not in arrogance before them, but I look at them and say, but for the grace of God, there go I. (applause) Ultimately, a great nation is a compassionate nation; ultimately a great person is a compassionate person. So this dispair in our society has caused people to be bitter, has caused them to engage in misguided action, has caused them to riot in many instances. Now you know my view about riots. I think they are socially destructive, self-defeating. will continue to raise my voice against riots, because I think

they do more harm to the Negro himself than anything or anybody else. Therefore, my motto cannot be 'burn baby burn;' my motto must be, 'build baby build,' 'organize baby organize.' (applause) It isn't enough to condemn those persons who are out there rioting, they are rioting because they lost hope, they are rioting because of certain intolerable conditions in our society. It is time for us now to tell America the cause of the riots. It's time for us to talk about the ultimate root cause of the riots in our cities. People are left without attention. Like a little child devoid of attention, they will have temper tantrums. I was in Watts right after the riots, and I talked with a number of people, and one day I was talking with a group, and a fellow said to me, 'we won.' I said, 'what you mean we won. burned down their own places, Hegroes were standing in line trying to get something to eat, what do you mean you won?' He said, 'yes, we won.' I said I still could not understand. He responded by saying, 'we made them pay attention to us.' The problem is that America hasn't paid attention to the black people of this country, and it's high time now that America pays attention.

"The other thing is, when we merely condemn riots, not conditions, we give the impression that the chief culprit is that person who may be rioting. I think now it is time to tell the nation who the chief culprit is, who is really guilty, who is really causing the riots. I say to you tonight that riots are caused by nice gentle, timid white moderates who are more concerned about order than justice, who can always say to the Negro, 'you are pushing things too fast, wait for a more convenient season,' and who has a kind of paternalistic notion that he can set the timetable for the Negroes. Riots are caused by a National administration, more concerned about winning the war in Vietnam than the war against poverty right here at home. (applause) Riots are caused by Federal Government, who spends approximately \$500,000.00 to kill every enemy soldier in Vietnam, and only \$53.00 a year for every person who is characterized as poverty stricken.

"Riots are caused by a Congress that is hypocritical, that is insensitive, a Congress that voted down the rent supplement program, a Congress that drastically cut back the model cities program, a Congress that has proved to be more anti-Negro

than anti-rats. This is what causes the riots. (applause) Riots are caused by every state legislature, California not withstanding, that refuses to pass a fair housing bill, and California is a greater culprit because it passed one, and was sick enough to nullify it. (applause) Riots are caused by every labor union that will keep the Negro locked out of the building trades. Riots are caused by many white clergymen, who in the midst of social injustice prefer to remain silent behind the safe security of stained glass windows.

"America must hear this; I must tell the truth. high time now that we come to see that responsibility is broad and the guilt is wide. There must be repentence in America because God's judgment is upon us now. These problems that I'm talking about must be solved. There is nothing more dangerous than to build a society, with a large segment of people in that society who feel that they have no stake in it. A destructive minority can poison the well springs from which the majority must drink. It is time for everybody to see this. Now America can solve this problem, it isn't a difficult problem to solve. We have the money. The national gross product this year is 780 billion dollars. We're the richest nation in the world. The question isn't whether we have the resources. The question is whether we have the will. It's time for massive programs. We've done it on other things. We take young men away from their homes, away from school, and away from their jobs and put them in the Army. We deprive them of something so the Federal Government came to see the necessity of passing the GI Bill of Rights, so when a veteran comes home he is compensated in a way that others are not compensated. wants to buy a house, he can get low interest rates. wants to go to college, he can go with subsidies from the Federal Government. If he wants to start a business, he can start that business with the kind of help from the Federal Government that others cannot receive. Now what is needed today is a massive bill of rights for the disadvantaged, the long veterans of the long siege of denial. If this isn't done, we're going to run into more problems. I say to you that if our nation can spend 35 billion dollars a year to fight a war in Vietnam and 20 billion dollars to put a man on the moon, it can spend billions of dollars to put God's children on their own two feet right here on earth. (applause)

"The final problem I want to deal with if we're going to make this world a neighborhood, is the problem of war. President Kennedy said on one occasion, 'mankind must put an end to war, or war will put an end to mankind.' Those words are more true than ever before. War is one of the great evils of history. Today our nation is engaged in one of those wars, but it's more serious than anything taking place in the world today, we've seen the nightmareous physical casualties of that war, we've seen the rice fields of a little Asian country being trampled at will, and burned at whim, we've seen mothers with little babies tightly clutched in their arms, as they stood watching their little huts burst forth into flame. We've seen Vietnamese men and women, boys and girls dying by the thousands. We've seen fine young men of our nation dying and being wounded every day. We've seen even little children being burned with napalm.

"This isn't the only thing tragic about that war. War in Vietnam (unintelligible) morally and politically. There isn't a major ally of the United States in the world today that would care to send a troop to Vietnam. We are left without any friends in this war, except for the little few puppet nations like Taiwan, Thailand, South Korea, and that's about it. We've left our nation with its innards scarred. This war has strengthened the forces of reaction in our country, strengthened the military-industrial complex, has diverted attention from civil rights. Think of all the energies and resources, the time that must be spent to keep this war going. Energies and resources that could be used in the struggle to make justice a reality right here. I can not help but feel that the riots taking place in our cities are related to what's happening in Vietnam, for when you build a climate of violence in the world, it has a way of being contagious. Also, that violent campaign is taking resources from the ghettos and communities that could be built anew. It intensifies frustrations. We are fighting two wars today, one in Vietnam and one in this country to get rid of poverty, and we are losing both of them. We are losing them morally and politically. Not only that, this war in Vietnam places us against the self-determination of a people. We just have to look at the history of it and we will see this.

"In 1945, the Republic of Vietnam declared itself independent after the joint occupation of the French and Japanese. The interesting thing is that they quoted our own Declaration of Independence in their document of freedom, and applied for membership in the French Commonwealth. they declared themselves independent, we refused to recognize. When we did that, we refused to recognize an indigenous government led by indigenous people who were concerned with basic problems, some of whom were communists, but most of them were not. For eight years France engaged in a war to recapture the former colony. The thing that we must remember, that is that the United States of America financed so much of that war to the tune of more than 3 billion dollars and toward the end of that war we were financing more than eighty percent of the war cost. And France started tiring of her reckless action in Vietnam even before she was defeated at Dien Bien Phu in 1954. We did not. In 1954 an accord was reached, the Geneva Accord. We did everything we could to sabotage Pretty soon after that we ended up supporting a man by the name of Diem who turned out to be, we helped him start, one of the most ruthless dictators of the modern world. The Viet Cong came in to being, not as a movement in the North, it came into being as a movement in the South, a resistance movement to the oppressive methods of Diem.

"Doctor Bernard Paul (phonetic), the great authority on Vietnam, revealed that less than 25 percent of the members of the Viet Cong were communist. Yet this was the thing that so many failed to see. The American public was brainwashed into believing that this was communist invasion, that this was communist aggression, never stopping to realize that North Vietnam has no great love for China. The struggle in Vietnam today is generated by nationalism, the desire for self-determination, not communism. If it were a case of communist aggression and a communist take-over, China would have troops in Vietnam. We must never forget that China doesn't have a single troop in a fighting sense in Neither does Russia. No longer must this myth Vietnam. persist. Not only did we go along and support Diem, but we supported 12 other military dictatorships, and the man that we are supporting now is a man by the name of Mr. Ky.

"In America in the civil rights movement we would call him 'Uncle Tom.' Do you know why? Because Mr. Ky

fought against his own people as a mercenary with the Then he said that Hitler was his supreme hero in history, and he has never taken it back. the facts, and no matter how hard they are, America must hear these facts. It is time now for the administration of our country to rise up and say, 'we made a mistake.' Mr Kennedy was honest, and that is why I'm so sorry he is not with us today. He was honest enough to say, in the Bay of Pigs invasion in Cuba, 'I made a mistake, I never should have listened to the experts.' And I call on President Johnson tonight to say to this nation and to the world that we've made a mistake in Vietnam. (applause) This war has hurt the humility of our nation, and has inflicted us with an arrogance of power. We need to get our own house in order. We find ourselves living in a situation where Congress will vote joyously to send billions of dollars to Vietnam and then will stand up and vote against a fair housing bill which will make it possible for a veteran to live anywhere that he wants to live when he comes home from Vietnam. (applause).

"Black boys and white boys struggle and suffer, often wounded in brutal solidarity on the battle field of Vietnam, but when they come back home, it's doubtful that their children will be able to sit together in the same classroom. It's time for us to put our own house in order. Negro soldiers can die on the battle fields of Vietnam, and occasionally they come back home and can't even be buried in the cemetery of Tuscumbia?, Alabama. It's time to put our own house in order. (applause)

"We've increased the possibilities of the third world war. We've increased the possibilities of the annihilation of the whole human race. These are the things that we must admit. If we continue to flirt unhesitatingly with war, our earthly habitat will be transformed into an inferno that even the mind of Dante could not imagine. So I must continue to speak against the war in Vietnam. There are those who have said to me, 'Why are you taking a stand against the war? You're a civil rights leader. You shouldn't be on this. You're out of your field.' Long before I was a civil rights speaker I was a preacher of the gospel. When I was ordained to the

Christian ministry, just as I took a commission to bring the insights of our Christian heritage to bear on the evils of our day.

"The other thing my friends is the fact that I've worked so hard now against segregation in public accommodations to end up at this point segregating my moral concern. (applause) For I know that justice is indivisible, that there are some civil rights leaders who are afraid, or refuse to take a stand, that's their business. I know that justice is indivisible. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.

"The other thing I know, it would be rather absurd for me to work passionately and unrelentingly for integrated schools and not be concerned about the survival of the world in which to integrate. There are those who go on to say beyond that, 'Aren't you going to hurt your leadership?' Somebody said to me not long ago, People have respected you, and don't you feel you're going to lose that and in order to maintain that respect don't you think you'll have to start talking more in terms with the policy of our nation in Vietnam?' I looked into his eyes, and said, 'Sir, I'm sorry you don't know me.' I'm not a consensus leader. don't determine what is right and wrong by looking at the budget of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Sure my stand has hurt the budget of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. I don't determine what is wrong by roaming around taking a Gallup poll of the majority opinion. Ultimately a genuine leader is not a subject for consensus, but he is a molder of consensus. (applause) On some positions, cowardice asks the question, 'Is it safe?' Expediency asks the question, 'Is it politic?' And then vanity comes along and asked the question, 'Is it popular?'
But conscience asks the question, 'Is it right?' There comes a time when one must take a stand that is neither expedient, that's neither safe, that's neither politic, or that's neither popular, but he must take that stand because it is right, and that is where I find myself today. (applause)

"I take the stand because I love America. I'm not engaged in a hate America campaign. I love this great nation. I see its marvelous possibilities for the whole world. I'm disappointed with America, but remember there can be no great

disappointment where there is not great love. Disappointed with the continued existence of racism, the continued existence of poverty, the continued existence of war. But I'm not going to dispair. I'm going on with the faith that we can transform dark yesterdays into bright tomorrows. not going to dispair even on the race question. Our goal is freedom. Somehow I still believe that we're going to get there, because no matter how much she strays away from it, the goal of America is freedom. Confused and scorned though we may be, our destiny is tied up with the destiny of America. Before the pilgrim fathers landed at Plymouth, we were here. Before Jefferson etched across the pages of history the majestic words of the Declaration of Independence, we were here. Before the beautiful words of the Star Spangled Banner were written, we were here. For more than two centuries our forebearers labored here without wages. cotton king, and they built the homes of their masters in the midst of the most oppressive and most humiliating conditions, and yet out of bottomless vitality they continued to grow and develop.

"I say to you tonight that if the inexpressable cruelities of slavery couldn't stop us, the oppression that we now face including the so-called white backlash, will surely fail. We're going to win our freedom. (applause)

"So I can still sing, 'We Shall Overcome.' We shall overcome because William Cullen Bryant is right. 'The truth crushed to earth will rise again.' We shall overcome because James Russell Lowell is right. 'Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne.' Yet that scaffold sways the future; behind the dim unknown stands a God within the shadows, keeping watch above his own. So let us keep going, keep moving, however difficult it is. The late Black Bard, who achieved so much greatness with his eloquent pen, wrote some words about a mother speaking to her son. Her grammar wasn't quite right but she uttered words of great symbolic profundity. 'Well son, I'll tell you. Life for me ain't been no crystal stairs, it's had tacks in it. Boards tore out, places with no carpet on the floor, bare. But all the time I been a climbing on and reaching landings, and turning corners, and sometimes going in the dark where there ain't been no light. So boy, don't you stop now. Don't you sit down on the steps 'cause you find it's kind of hard now, for I'm still going boy. I'm still climbing.' Life for me ain't been no crystal stair, life for none of us has been a crystal stair, but we must keep moving. If you can't fly, run. If you can't run, walk.

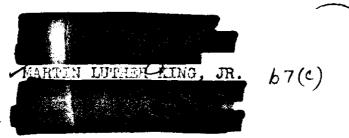
If you can't walk, crawl; but by all means, keep moving. (applause)."

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